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SIREN TESTING ON HAWAII ISLAND WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

HONOLULU — Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA), together with the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency, will conduct siren testing on Hawaii Island on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. Testing will be between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the following location:

Pahala

These new sirens are part of the Statewide Siren Modernization Project. Residents nearby may hear the siren sound six to eight times for 30-second to one-minute intervals during the identified timeframe. Testing will include short blasts known as "burps." During these tests, emergency management officials and technicians will check that siren installations were properly completed.

Residents can direct questions about this siren testing to the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency at (808) 935-0031.

Hawaii EMA encourages the public to make use of other supplemental methods of warning including, but not limited to, Hawaii County's mass text notification system, <u>Blackboard Connect</u>, and NOAA Weather Radio.

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